International Efforts to Develop Environmental Guidelines for Military Operations

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Workshop on Environmental Considerations in Military Operations

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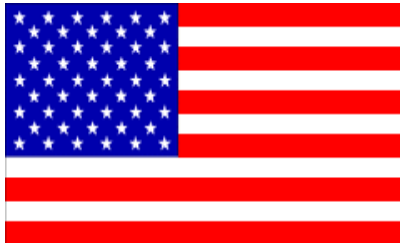
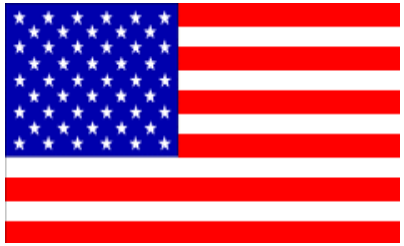
Guidebook on
Environmental Considerations during Military Operations

A Joint United States – Republic of South Africa
Environmental Security Working Group Project



US-South Africa: Guidebook

- Focus on peacekeeping operations
- Command-level guidance
- Available on CD-ROM, DENIX public menu
- US Team:
  - LTC Mark Warnecke (NYNG)
  - COL Don Archibald (Ft Dietrich)
  - MAJ Stephen Wolf (HQ USAFE)
  - David Beasley (DRMS-I)



US-South Africa: Next Steps

- **Develop environmental training modules for command and soldier level**
  - **Integrate with ACOTA program**
  - **Projected "products" include:**
    - Program of Instruction
    - Laminated "flash" cards
    - Video
    - Environmental awareness posters

UN Department of Peacekeeping Operations (UN DPKO)

- Draft “Environmental Policy for UN Field Missions”
  - Focus on peacekeeping
  - Application to troop sending nations is unclear
  - Desire to coordinate and integrate products as much as possible

OSD has established contact with DPKO directly and through Sweden, South Africa

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DPKO Environmental Policy
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Environmental Policy for UN Field Missions

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US Next Steps

- Publish another version of ECOPS guidebook focused on the full range of military operations
  - Use both, as appropriate in other collaborative efforts: Sweden, Finland, UK……(?)

US-Sweden-Finland

- Workshop in Fall-Winter 2006
  - Review existing US-South Africa guidebook
  - Critique US-developed guidebook
  - Assess UN DPKO guidelines
  - Discuss opportunities for input to European Union Battlegroup planning (via Defense Network [DEFNET])